

NOTED ACTOR TRIES HARI-KARI TO END LIFE

Rankin Duval Falls in
Front of Car and
Then on Knife.

Rankin Duval, a well-known actor, to-day tried to end his life by using the "hari-kari" mode as practiced by the Japanese. Duval learned of this method when playing one of the leading roles in "The Darling of the Gods."

Duval flung himself in front of a sixth avenue car, and when the motorman drove him from the track he entered a saloon, where he snatched up a fifteen-inch knife. Declaring that he would die as an actor should, he deliberately fell on the blade.

The motorman of a northbound sixth avenue car saw early to-day at Fifth street a tall man dressed in an expensive astrachan-trimmed overcoat stop in the circle of light made by his headlights and throw himself across the tracks. He jerked off his power and stopped his car within a few feet of the man lying in his road.

Motorman Saved Him.
"Say, what's the matter with you?" demanded the carman.

The other rose slowly to his feet and walked close to the car which had so nearly run him down.

"I must die tonight," he said, quietly. "Can you prevent it?" Then he walked away.

The motorman watched him walk down Sixth avenue and enter the saloon of George McQuillan at No. 867 Sixth avenue. What happened in the drinking place the police learned later from James McQuillan, the night bartender, who served the well-dressed stranger with a stiff whiskey. After taking his drink the man turned to the free-lunch counter. On it lay a long keen-pointed knife used for slicing corned beef. The stranger picked it up and tested its point on his thumb.

"May I use that?" he asked in so ordinary a tone that the bartender did not look up from washing his glasses.

"Sure," he said, "help yourself."

When he next looked up the man had opened his sack coat and waistcoat and was jabbing the knife into himself above the heart.

"I must die!" he cried. "I am an actor, and will die like one."

As he spoke he fell forward on the knife. The blade entered an inch or more, just missing the heart.

"Get Dr. Allen," gasped the man. "I'm going to die."

Said He Was an Actor.
To Policeman Noonan the man who had stabbed himself said he was Rankin Duval, an actor.

"I am a criminal," he added, "and would die."

He was hurried to the Roosevelt Hospital in an ambulance, where all attempts to get information from him failed till he was told he would probably die. Then he asked the hospital people to send for Dr. Allen, on West Forty-eighth street. He added that he was a member of the Players' Club and had played in "Madam Butterfly" at the Belasco Theatre.

He was unconscious. A couple of letters were a friend of the letter, one from a friend of the letter, one from a friend of the letter.

Another was from a banking firm. He also carried a New York Express and a check book issued by Wagner, Schalk & Co., of No. 25 Broad street.

Duval is the son of a Baltimore merchant. He has been a nervous wreck for a year. He last appeared in the "Darling of the Gods" and in the last part of that piece he committed "hari-kari" in another Oriental manner.

He played a part which also included a "hari-kari" act, and this is probably what suggested his dramatic fall on a knife to-day in "hari-kari" fashion.

Duval was a cousin of Mrs. Paul Allen, wife of Dr. Paul Allen, 250 East Forty-third street. Duval called there last night.

Butler Found a Knife.
"He made preparations to kill himself," said the police.

"This morning the butler found a knife and the gas-burner in Duval's room. He put it in a box and left it there. It wouldn't be right to kill himself in our house."

Duval lived at the Allen house most of the time. He visited the Players' Club in Gramercy Square every day. The butler left him an attendant, but Duval's habits of late had forced the butler to leave.

Dr. Schalk, of Wagner, Schalk & Co., of No. 25 Broad street, gave Duval just enough to meet his actual living expenses.

King Oscar of Sweden Has Heart Trouble.
Anxiety Again Felt for the Monarch, Who Has Been Complicating for Some Days.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Dec. 13.—The health of King Oscar is again occasioning some anxiety. He has been complaining of a slight indisposition for several days, and yesterday symptoms of weakness of the heart, accompanied by an irregular pulse, presented themselves.

The King feels somewhat better to-day, but his pulse remains weak and irregular.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—According to a special despatch from Stockholm, the condition of King Oscar this afternoon, following yesterday's attack of heart weakness, is said to be critical.

King Oscar was born Jan. 21, 1829, and succeeded to the throne on the death of his brother, King Carl XV., Sept. 13, 1872.

BRICK YARD PLANT BURNED.
RED BANK, N. J., Dec. 13.—The Crescent brick yard plant at Eatontown was destroyed by fire during the night. Everything was consumed, including valuable machinery. The business was started two years ago by stock company composed largely of local farmers. The loss is several thousand dollars.

Wet I'm thinking of Christmas is like wot the old maid said when she found a man under her bed. "It don't happen often, but it ain't as bad as it looks!"

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Rankin Duval, Who Tried Hari-Kari to End Life.



RANKIN DUVAL

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\$5.00 Value \$10.00

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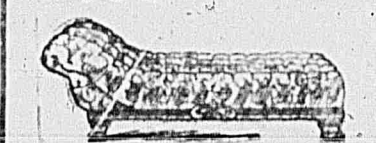
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